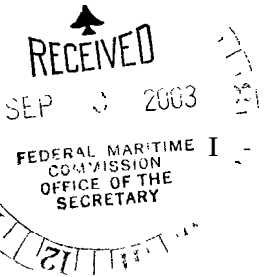


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August 19, 2003

Honorable Bryant L. Van Brakle
Secretary
Federal Maritime Commission
800 North Capitol Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C., 20573

Re: Petition of National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America, Inc. for a
Limited Exemption From Certain Tariff Requirements of the Shipping Act of 1984
Petition No. 03-

Dear Secretary Van Brakle:

I am Samuel Perez, Ocean Export Manager for Trans Ocean International Ltd., dba T.O.I.L.,
nvocc **licence** No. 14942N, having one (1) **office** in the port of New York.

Following are approximate costs incurred by our company in maintaining a **tariff**:

1. Establishing a **website**; Nil
2. The annual cost of subscribing to a tariff publishing service; **\$1,500.00**
3. The approximate number of hours and costs spent each month in making changes to **tariff**; Seven (7)
4. These costs are absorbed by our company, T.O.I.L.
5. Our company is not able to track the number of times shippers or other persons have accessed our tariff.
6. The estimated percentage of our company's costs that are related directly or indirectly to rate tariff compliance: **\$3,750.00**
7. Rates are negotiated prior to shipment and only filed upon booking.

Finally, filing of rates are of no use to our company since our clients do not visit any **websites** for price comparisons. Instead, shopping around is performed by means of telephone and/or e-mail. Thus, rates are filed merely to comply with FMC requirements. Furthermore, it is a costly exercise, especially for a relatively small nvocc such as ours.

I, Samuel Perez, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Furthermore, I **certify** that I am qualified and authorized to file the verified statement.

Executed on August 19th, 2003

Samuel Perez,
Ocean Export Manager

